SENATE RESOLUTION 24

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of David George Young of Bolivar.

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body are saddened to learn of the untimely death of David George Young of Bolivar; and

WHEREAS, David Young was but thirty-one years old, and he was filled with exuberance and joy for living which was wrought of the pleasure he enjoyed by accomplishing some of his greatest desires for and dreams of success; and

WHEREAS, David Young was born June 4, 1983, the third child of Steve and Connie Young. He was educated in the Hardin County public school system, from whence he matriculated to Jackson State Community College and on to Middle Tennessee State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing and finance in 2007; he then attended Freed-Hardeman University and earned his teaching certificate; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his death, Mr. Young was a teacher at Bolivar Central High School, his alma mater, where he began teaching personal computer classes and supervising in-school suspension in 2009. This school year, he was teaching finance, which filled him with joy and satisfaction; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Young loved being in the classroom and teaching; he conveyed a genuinely positive regard for his students and encouraged them to be all they can possibly be in school and throughout life; and

WHEREAS, in addition to teaching, David Young had a strong desire to emulate his father's public service as a county commissioner. He assumed his late father's Hardeman County Commission seat on April 7, 2014; and

WHEREAS, David Young was a member of Middleburg Baptist Church, and since age nine, he was a member of the Kingdom of God. He served God through two mission trips to Quito, Ecuador, where he personally witnessed to others and focused on children's ministry; and

WHEREAS, spending time with his nieces and nephews, friends, and especially his best friend Bojangles, his English bulldog, was perhaps Mr. Young's greatest source of pleasure.

With them, he enjoyed play and will be fondly remembered as always being prankish and in pursuit of mischief; and

WHEREAS, David Young is survived by his mother; sister and spouse, Mary Elizabeth and Franklin Anderson; brother and spouse, Joseph Keith and Debbie Young; nieces, Olivia Young, Lily Anne Young, and Adeline Anderson; and nephews, Wyatt Anderson, Abram Anderson, and Samuel Young; and

WHEREAS, his time on earth was lived enthusiastically and his compassion and concern for others was palpable. His companionship will be sorely missed by his loved ones, yet his memory will evoke a smile and it is fitting that he be memorialized by this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and commend the memory of David George Young, acknowledging him as a proud, distinguished, and influential Tennessean.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our deepest sympathies and send our most sincere condolences to the family of Mr. Young.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.